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yield better results? Shall the course in cataloging be put at the beginning of the course, or later? How much do we use the stereopticon?

2. Are the subjects now in our curricula properly balanced? Is too much time given to learning cataloging and other routine, and consequently too little to a consideration of methods of extending the use of the library by the public?

3. Would it be practicable for several schools to secure a lecturer on some special subject in library economy who should give the regular work in that subject in each of these schools? An example of a beginning in this direction is Miss Edna Lyman's work in several schools.

4. Would it be possible for the several schools to combine in securing a lecturer each year to give a short series of lectures on some one subject, these lectures to be seriously worked up, and to be published after being delivered? The final publication of the lectures, and the combined remuneration from several schools, might be a sufficient incentive to capable persons to do their best work.

5. Is it as easy to secure transfer of credit from one school to another as it should be?

6. Is it desirable, and if desirable, is it practicable to make the work of the first year of the two-year schools and the work of the one-year schools more nearly alike? Many junior students in a two-year school enter library work without taking the senior year's work; if the courses in one-year schools are better preparation for library work than the first year's work of the two-year schools, then these juniors are at a disadvantage as compared with students from a one-year school. Some students in the one-year schools may wish to go to a two-year school and take a second year of training; as the courses are at present arranged, this second year's work is almost impossible, because it does not fit on to the work that the student has had.

The discussions were felt to be so profitable that by unanimous consent it was decided to arrange for a similar meeting next year.

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SACRAMENTO INVITATION

The California state library and the Sacramento free public library through their respective librarians, Mr. J. L. Gillis and Mr. C. W. Ripley, have extended a cordial invitation to A. L. A. members to visit Sacramento after the Pasadena conference. The library people of Sacramento will make special effort to entertain groups, but individuals are welcome at any time.

The Secretary, in replying, informed the Sacramento librarians that special arrangements had been made to include Sacramento in the itinerary, and that he was sure all who expected to attend would look forward with pleasure to this feature of the trip.

INTERNATIONAL CONGRESSES COMMITTEE

On December 18th, 1910, the council of the Library Association of the United Kingdom appointed an international committee to consider and report on matters arising from the 1910 international congresses, to arrange participation in future congresses, to act as a welcoming committee to foreign librarians and to encourage intercourse between British and foreign librarians. The Secretary of this committee is Mr. L. C. Wharton, of the British Museum, and any communications to him should be addressed to 24 Bloomsbury Square, London.

It is the purpose of the committee also to do all it can to forward the work of the *Congres de Bibliographie et Documentation* in England. Librarians who expect to visit England, and wish to attend any of the meetings of the Library association or of kindred organizations should communicate with the Secretary at the above address.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Bookbinding

Although the publishers have not yet sent definite assurances, the A. L. A. Committee on binding believes that there will be three library editions of the *Encyclopaedia Britannica*, none of them on India paper.